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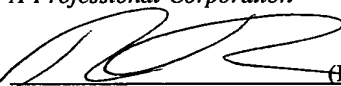
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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, Applicants request that a citation and examination of the references identified below and on the attached PTO-1449 form, copies of which are enclosed herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98, be made during the course of examination of the above-mentioned application for United States Patent.

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REMARKS

All of the above cited documents are in English except JP 91-112450 and FR 2,345,938.

Applicants found an English language translation, on dialog, of the Abstract for JP 91-112450 that provides as follows:

ABSTRACT

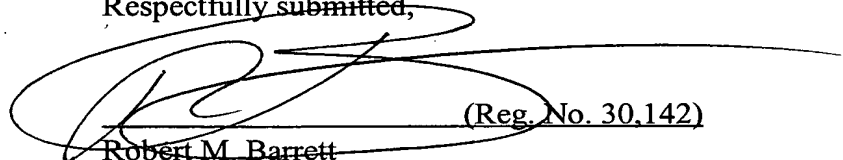
Purpose: To effectively shake off drowsiness by synergistic effect by compounding a chewing gum base with a strong acidulant component and caffeine.

Constitution: The objective chewing gum for shaking off drowsiness can be produced by adding a strong acidulant component such as citric acid and, as necessary, caffeine to a chewing gum base.

Applicants do not have a translation of FR 2,345,938.

Applicants look forward to early and favorable consideration of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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